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THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wednesday, the 18th February 1959.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at three of the clock, Mr. Chairman (THE HON. DR. P. V. CHERIAN) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

" Worries of Kumbakonam "

* 61 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the recent proceedings of the Andhra Pradesh State Legislative Assembly in which references were reported to have been made about " worries of Kumbakonam " borne by Andhras while in the composite State of Madras; and

(*b*) if so, whether the Government propose to address the Andhra Pradesh Government for the deletion of such references in public records?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) No, Sir.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Is it fair that anybody should make such a statement as this and are we not to lodge our protest?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: I think these things are better ignored.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Is there no remedy when such a disparaging reference is made about a great town in our State and is there not an inter-State convention in these matters?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: I do not think there is any great disparagement. In fact, certain words have got slang meanings and we should not go very much by the slang meaning. We should respect the real meaning it gives.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN: Is it a fact that the word ' Kumbakonam ' is found in the Oxford Concise Dictionary and that a meaning is given there?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: I think the hon. Member can look up the word in the dictionary instead of putting this question in this House.

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SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Government consider the question of taking up this matter in the Zonal Council to express our resentment and, if possible, to evolve a code of inter-State conduct in the matter of public utterances by State dignitaries?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, that would become an instance of falling from the sublime to the ridiculous.

District Forest Office, Chingleput

* 62 Q.—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to shift the District Forest Office at Chingleput to Madras; and

(*b*) if so, the reason therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) & (*b*) The Chief Conservator of Forests has proposed the abolition of Saidapet Division, consequent on the transfer of Satyavedu to Andhra Pradesh if the Pataskar award is to be implemented and to add the ranges of Saidapet Division to Chingleput Division with Headquarters at Saidapet. The matter is under consideration.

VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : ஏற்கெனவே, செங்கற்பட்டு ஜில்லாக் கலெக்டர் அலுவலகம், ஜில்லா போர்டு அலுவலகம், தாலூகா ஆபீஸ் முதலியவைகள் எல்லாம் சென்னையிலேயே இருக்கின்றன. இதுவும் கூட இங்கே வந்துவிட்டால், ஜன நெருக்கம் மிகுந்த சென்னையில் இன்னும் சங்கடம் அதிகரிக்காதா ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : அவ்வாறு ஒன்றும் சங்கடம் ஏற்படாது. அவை சென்னை நகரத்திலேயே இருக்க வேண்டும் என்பதில்லை. சென்னை நகரத்தில் இருப்பவையும்கூட ஜில்லாவின் மத்தியில்தான் இருக்கின்றன.

Farmyard manure and nightsoil compost

* 63 Q.—SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI (on behalf of Sri M. Ethirajalu) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) the quantity of farmyard manure and nightsoil compost prepared durng the years 1957–58 and 1958–59 (up to 1st October 1958); and

(*b*) the amount of loans disbursed to municipalities and local boards for the manufacture of farmyard manure and nightsoil compost in this State during the year 1958–59 up to 1st October 1958?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) During 1957–58 a total quantity of 293,774 tons of farmyard manure and nightsoil compost was produced by municipalities and panchayats. During 1958–59 up to 1st October 1958, 115,687 tons of farmyard manure and nightsoil compost was prepared. Figures for farmyard manure and compost prepared by cultivators themselves are not available.